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Meeting Called As...

Town Faces Suit on Discharge Violation

By Judith Epstein

A joint meeting with Selectmen, the Advisory Board and the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners will be held Sept. 10 to discuss Cohasset's options for future sewer plans. Water and Sewer Commis-

sioners Chairman William Montouri requested the joint meeting in response to notification that legal action may be taken against the town for violation of its discharge permit.

A recent letter from Thomas McMahon of the Water Pollu-

tion Control Division of the DEQE, has requested that Stephen Leonard of the Environmental Protection Division of the Attorney General's office initiate appropriate legal action against Cohasset for violation of its discharge permit.

According to McMahon the town has failed to submit a complete facilities plan including expanded secondary sewage treatment facilities and has exceeded effluent limits for flow, bio-chemical oxygen demand (BOD), and total suspended solids (TSS) from its existing treatment facilities. Further, the letter continued, the town has failed to vote funds for the necessary sewer expansion.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued Cohasset an expansion implementation time schedule in conjunction with the permit allowing the continued discharge of effluent to James Brook until Dec. 31, 1981. After that time, the EPA recommended that Cohasset employ additional sewage treatment works, dumping

effluent to Cohasset Harbor.

The following implementation schedule was set:

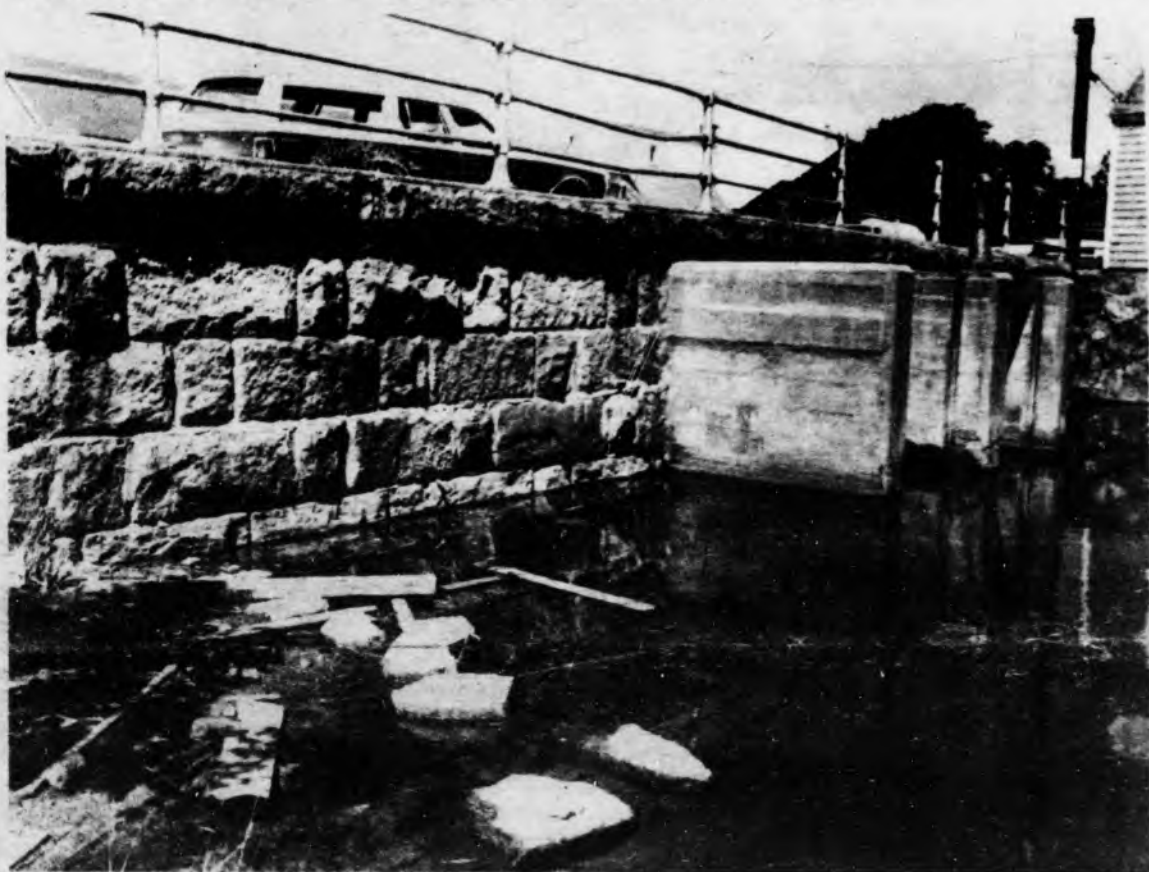
By June 30, 1979, submit complete proposed facilities plan, including expanded secondary sewage treatment facilities to the Massachusetts Division of Water Pollution (MDWPC) for review and approval.

By Sept. 30, 1979, file a complete application with the MDWPC for grant assistance in preparation of final plans and specifications (Step 2) for the approved project.

By Oct. 30, 1980, file a complete application with the MDWPC for grant assistance in the construction (Step 3) of the approved project.

By March 31, 1981, commence construction of the approved treatment works.

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TOUGH STRAITS with broken tide gate on Straits Pond have citizens concerned and a study coming up to solve pollution and other problems.

Citizens Protest Straits Pond Condition As Study Launched

Concerned residents lodged more complaints with Selectmen this week about Straits Pond and its broken tide gate at West Corner. At the same meeting, Selectmen signed a Coastal Zone Management (CZM) grant agreement and engineering contract for the study of the polluted pond.

The residents' concern about the broken tide gate was twofold. The inability to raise and lower the gate results in the lack of proper water flow and salinity in the pond. This stagnation, in turn, creates a ripe breeding ground for mosquitoes and midges. A fear that the water level may rise dangerously high during rainy weather was also voiced.

The Town of Hull Appropriated \$2500 at their Town Meeting this year to pay for one-third the estimated \$7500 cost to repair the tide gate. Hull has subsequently asked that Cohasset and Hingham, the two towns that also share

Straits Pond waters, appropriate \$2500 each to contribute to the repair work.

Selectmen voted to ask the Advisory Board for a transfer from reserve funds for the project. However, Selectmen Chairman Arthur Clark learned later that in order to use money in conjunction with

the other towns, the appropriation must be approved by a vote of Town Meeting.

Hingham Selectmen had indicated, Clark said, that their town would contribute \$2500 from reserve funds to highway drainage funds for the job. They, too, will have to be

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Trophy Week At Sail Club

From Sandy Beach the little sailboats look well-ordered and behaved, playing ring around-the-markers, casting their brightly-colored spinners against the sky.

But out in the ocean it's a contest — and one needs a map, instructions, rules. If you're not an experienced skipper, or not with one, sailing is not unlike the southeast expressway, and just as terrifying. There are also sharks out there. Yes, and cannon fire from the beaches. Read on.

Labor Day weekend was a trophy one for the Sail Club, which wound up its official racing season at a Bassings' Beach chowder Monday. Trophy Day for the Yacht Club is this Saturday (see results in next week's *Maziner*).

The Flying Scott Fleet #105 (a small but growing indepen-

dent fleet) held its Captain Cup Race last Saturday, with "Smiling" Peter Chapman taking the cup in the event, and "Rookie" Ray Kasperowicz coming in second for a brass cat food dish. Chet Ellis and Roger Porter, who co-own their boat, placed third and won one size .32" belt; while 15-year old sailor Mike Berman, skippering Peter Goedecke's boat, came in fourth. In spite of a painful raquetball game wound, Terry Young placed fifth.

In Saturday's Yacht Club's 210 competition Ken Cook came in first to no one's surprise; he easily led the competition throughout the course. When Sam Wakeman, Jr. crossed the finish line for a second place, a cannon was fired from Wakeman's Beach, and for a few seconds the race

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Don't Sleep With The Lights On

By Tanna Kasperowicz

It will most assuredly relieve the U.S. Energy Task Force and President Carter to know that six-year-old Robby Lawrence is going to start turning the lights out "right after we go to bed, and during naps." Robby agreed that had he taken those meas-

ures last year the country might not be in the fix it's in.

A sizable number of other Cohasset residents are planning similar energy-saving measures. A few even threatened to hibernate — "Especially in January."

Jack Langmaid, School Committee Chairman, was

the only person we spoke with who had this enviable complaint: "We've done everything to our house we can...there's nothing else left to do!"

Cohasset women are foregoing any light and airy look this year for good old long johns...several pair. Pat Delaney was willing to model one of her typical

"everyday" at-home outfits which is comprised of several layers of sweaters, woolly socks, warm boots... but our photographer couldn't catch up with her over the weekend.

In these last of the summer weeks, no one appears to be laying in supplies for any possible shortages, or

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